

IN UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, the undersigned hereby declare that:

I INVENTOR'S FULL NAME, CITIZENSHIP, RESIDENCE, MAILING ADDRESS:

The undersigned's full name, citizenship, residence, and mailing address is as stated STAT adjacent to his signature below;

II STATUS AS INVENTOR, TITLE OF INVENTION, AND KNOWLEDGE OF SPECIFICATION.

The undersigned believes he is the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a design patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which is attached hereto. The undersigned states that he has reviewed and understands the contents of the above identified specification, including the claim. The undersigned acknowledges the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations Sec. 1.56(a).

III APPLICATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The undersigned hereby claims the benefit of Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of the claim of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 112, he acknowledges the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

None.

IV POWER OF ATTORNEY

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V STATUTORY DECLARATION OF VALIDITY OF ALL STATEMENTS.

The undersigned hereby declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge is true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Sec. 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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